State of Women:

A County by County Report on Women and Girls in Massachusetts **Nantucket County**

Basic Demographics

Female Population

Total: 4,636

Under 21	21.14%
21 to 34	23.45%
35 to 64	42.77%
65 and over	12.64%

• Nantucket is the most sparsely populated county with only 0.14% of the female population of Massachusetts.

Households, Year 2000

Total: 3,699

Female householder, no husband present...8.02% With children under 6...........13.13% With children under 18.......59.93%

Earnings and Employment

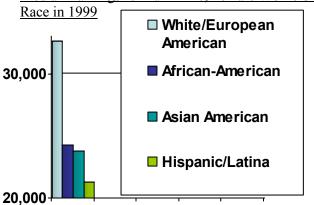
Median Earnings for Full-Time Employees in 1999

Male.....\$42,246 Female....\$32,282

The Living Wage in 2003

For one Adult and 2 children, one in pre-school and one in elementary school.....\$52,106
For 2 Adults and 2 children, one in pre-school and one in elementary school......\$58,061

Median Earnings for Full-Time, Female Workers by



Percentage of Women Living in Poverty in

<u> 1999</u>

 • Nantucket has the lowest percentage of women ages 65-74 below the poverty line (3.8%). Interestingly, it also has the highest percentage of women over age 75 living below the poverty line (21.40%). One factor that might explain this discrepancy is Nantucket's percentage of working women over 65 at 18.36%.

Families......3.00%

Employment Status of Women, Year 2000

Employed: 2,110

Unemployed in Labor Force: 76 Not in Labor Force: 1,330

 Nantucket has the highest percentage of women in the labor force of any county.

Education

Female Educational Attainment in 2000	
No High School Diploma	7.41%
High School Graduate	43.40%
Associate or Professional Degree	11.70%
Bachelor's Degree	28.33%
Master's Degree	8.50%
Doctorate Degree	

2003 Female Public High School

Drop-Out Rate

Massachusetts State Average......2.79% Nantucket County Average.....1.20%

Health and Wellness

Reproductive Health

- In 2004, there were no new mothers in Nantucket County of age 20 or younger.
- That same year 26 pregnant women (17.50%) did not receive any prenatal care in their first trimester. 26.90% of new mothers in Nantucket County utilized publicly funded prenatal care in 2004—a total of 39 women.

HIV and AIDS

In April of 2000, 8 women were living with HIV or AIDS and 2 women were living with AIDS in Nantucket County.

Political Participation in 2006

Females elected to State House: 0 (0%)

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